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In re Application of: Jeffrey Wade Harper, Stephen J. Elledge, and Jeffrey T. Winston
Divisional of Serial No.: 09/172,841
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Group Art Unit: 1644
Examiner: Mary Tung
For: METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF NF-K β REGULATORY FACTORS

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**REQUEST FOR FILING DIVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application 09/172,841, filed October 15, 1998, entitled METHOD FOR THE DETECTION OF NF-K β REGULATORY FACTORS. The inventors of the invention being claimed in this application are Jeffrey Wade Harper, Stephen J. Elledge and Jeffrey T. Winston. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a division of pending application number 09/172,841, filed on October 15, 1998."

1. A preliminary amendment is submitted herewith.
2. A true copy of the prior application as filed in the parent application is enclosed.
3. Informal drawings are enclosed.
4. A Declaration is enclosed as filed with the prior application.
5. Please cancel in this application original Claims 1-5 and 7 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

This Applicant is claiming small entity status.

The filing fee is calculated below:

For	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	4	0	9.00	\$0
Independent Claims	2	0	40.00	\$0
Basic Filing Fee				\$355.00
Multiple Dependent Claim	0	0	130.00	\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$355.00

6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the above fees from our Deposit Account No. 07-0153. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for your convenience.

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No.09/172,841, filed October 15, 1998, and further that all statements made herein are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

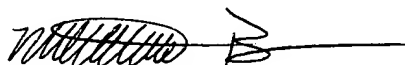
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